

# Arizona Interagency Dispatch Center Annual Report 2016



Arizona Interagency Dispatch Center is responsible for the dispatching of state and cooperator resources for wildland fire and all risk incidents. The Arizona Interagency Dispatch Center located in North Phoenix processes thousands of requests annually for operational and logistical support of initial and extended attack incidents. The Center mobilizes aircraft, crews, equipment, and personnel within the state and assists various federal and state agencies throughout the nation with resources. The Center gathers intelligence on fire and all risk incidents throughout the state and disseminates numerous reports. The center also provides dispatching services for the Arizona Department of Agriculture Animal Services Division officers and inspectors who enforce laws concerning the movement, sale, importation, transport, slaughter, and

theft of livestock. Firefighter, officer, and public safety is the first priority of the center and all activities reflect these commitments.

# 2016 Summary

Arizona Interagency Dispatch Center (AIDC) engaged in over **8,800** incidents in 2016. Incidents varied from wildfires, all risk incidents, and law enforcement.

#### Arizona Department of Forestry and Fire Management Aviation Accomplishments 2016

DFFM continued to partner with several cooperating agencies and contractors to enable the success of the 2016 aviation program. The following served as the Arizona Aviation Unit's contributions to DFFM for 2016:

#### **SEATs**

- DFFM Single Engine Air Tankers (SEATs) flew over 98 hours to 32 incidents for a total of 109 take-off and landings and delivered 103,502 gallons of retardant.
- DFFM contracted 3 CWN AT-802 SEATs (T-830, T-886, T-892).
- DFFM staffed and supported 2 SEAT bases:
  - \* Wickenburg SEAT Base supported T-892, T-813, T-815, T-830, T-814, T-989, and T-899. This base mixed, load ed, and delivered 63,546 gallons of retardant.
  - \* Libby Heavy Tanker/SEAT Base supported T-830, T-886, and T-892. This base mixed, loaded, and

delivered 39,956 gallons of retardant.

 In addition to the above accomplishments, DFFM hosted T-814 and T-899 (National Exclusive Use Contract) for the Bureau of Land Management-DOI at the Wickenburg SEAT Base.

#### Single Engine Air Tanker (SEAT)



#### **ATGS**

The Air Tactical Group Supervisor (ATGS) was located at Libby SEAT base during the first half of the season and at Wickenburg SEAT base during the second half. The ATGS flew over 65 hours to 24 incidents for a total 33 take-off and landings.

#### **DPS**

Arizona Department of Public Safety (DPS) continued to staff an additional helicopter at a daily appointed base utilizing the DFFM agreement as the staff funding source. Under the agreement, all in-service DPS helicopters are available for public safety requests, as well as wildland fire related requests. This staffing greatly enhanced the availability of public safety aircraft across the state.

#### **DPS Ranger Helicopter**



#### **AZ National Guard**

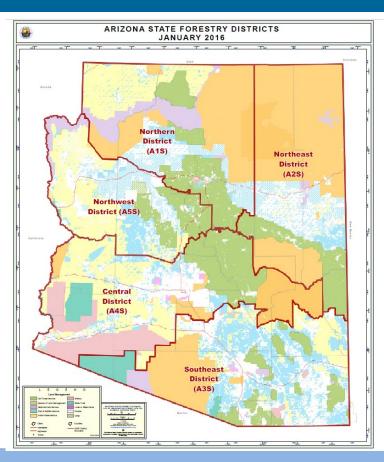
DFFM is tasked with training, equipping, and coordinating with the Arizona National Guard (ARNG). Arizona Dispatch Center is the central point of ordering for all requests and demob for ARNG use on incidents. ARNG aircraft and resources will normally be activated after all state agency, federal, and contract CWN helicopters, by type, have been employed. The ARNG helicopter fire fighting capability is a supplemental emergency resource employed when suitable civilian contract helicopters are not available. During the 2016 season ARNG was not utilized because all incidents had sufficient aviation staffing.

#### Arizona Department of Forestry and Fire Management District Boundaries and Wildfire Summary

DFFM transitioned from 3 to 5 districts in January 2016 to better align with interagency partners and allow for more efficient and effective span of control

A1S- Northern District
A2S- Northeast District
A3S- Southeast District
A4S- Central District
A5S- Northeast District

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#### Arizona State Forestry Wildfire Summary

YTD Human Fires YTD Human Acres

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		S YTD Within FD Fires			YTD Natural Fires	55			
			F YTD Within FD Acres	2,058.64		YTD Natural Acres	4,928.78		
/	# of Fires (State / Private Only)	37	YTD Natural Fires	7	Α	# of Fires (State / Private Only)	30	YTD Natural Fires	4
1 S	Acres (State / Private Only)	331.47	YTD Natural Acres	0.70	2	Acres (State / Private Only)	2,493.57	YTD Natural Acres	0.55
	YTD Human Fires	30	YTD Within FD Fires	12	_	YTD Human Fires	26	YTD Within FD Fires	12
	YTD Human Acres	330.77	YTD Within FD Acres	16.95	S	YTD Human Acres	2,493.02	YTD Within FD Acres	13.71
/	# of Fires (State / Private Only)	161	YTD Natural Fires	31	Α	# of Fires (State / Private Only)	25	YTD Natural Fires	0
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	YTD Human Acres	18,188.94	YTD Within FD Acres	1,225.66	S	YTD Human Acres	1,187.58	YTD Within FD Acres	246.62
	# of Fires (State / Private Only)	69	YTD Natural Fires	13		# of Fires	234	YTD Natural Fires	7
17	Acres (State / Private Only)	7,257.00	YTD Natural Acres	4,213.95	F	Total Acres	2,058.64	YTD Natural Acres	0.70
5	YTD Human Fires	56	YTD Within FD Fires	27	D	YTD Human Fires	227		
5	YTD Human Acres	3,043.05	YTD Within FD Acres	555.70		YTD Human Acres	2,057.94		

#### Wildfire Summary 2016:

A1S: 49 Fires 348.42 Acres

A2S: 41 Fires 2,507.28 Acres

A3S: 311 Fires 20,128.18 Acres

A4S: 58 Fires 1,434.20 Acres

A5S: 94 Fires 7,815.10 Acres

#### Arizona Department of Forestry and Fire Crews

DFFM manages twelve 20 person Type II Wildland Fire and Fuels crews in cooperation with the Arizona Department of Corrections (DOC). The crews provide services for wildland fire, natural resource projects and all risk assignments throughout the state of Arizona. DFFM also provides dispatching services for Highlands Fire District, Bear Jaw Type 2 Initial Attack Crew, and Flagstaff Fire Department, Flagstaff Type 2 Crew. Several of the DOC crews were renamed this year and also hired several new crew coordinators.

#### **DFFM Fire Crews**

#### Average # of Days on Assignment

Bear Jaw: 6.5

Flagstaff Fuels: 1

Douglas: 2.52

Escudilla: 5.9

Wolf Mountain (formerly Escudilla 2): 4.2

Florence: 3.7

Fort Grant: 2.8

Superstition (formerly

Globe): 5

**Lewis: 4.2** 

Perryville: 3.9

Tucson 1: 3.3

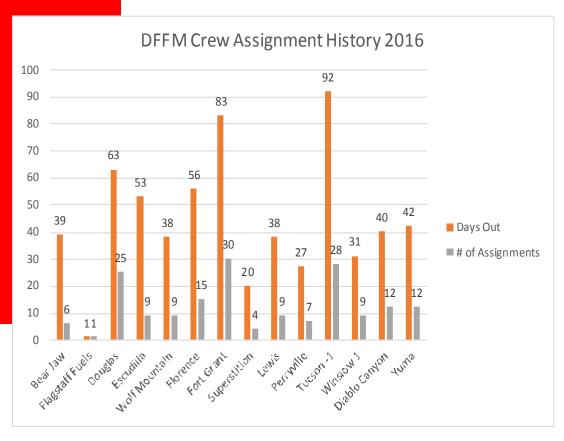
Winslow: 3.4

Diablo Canyon (formerly

Winslow 2):: 3.3

Yuma: 3.5





226 total in and out of state equipment mobilizations for extended attack



# **2016 Mobilization Plan**

The Arizona Department of Forestry and Fire Management and the Arizona Fire Chiefs Association Mobilization Plan promotes equitable deployment of engines and water tenders to extended attack incidents in Arizona and throughout the nation.

#### **Total YTD Assignments**

	Engines						Support Tender			Tactical Tenders			
WRG ID	Group	Т6	Т5	Т4	тз	T2	Т1	тз	T2	т1	T2	Т1	YTD Utilization
CHO	Cochise	15	0	0	3	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	21
CNO	Coconino	4	0	0	6	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	14
GRO	East CRT	7	0	0	3	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	13
GEO	East. Yav	7	0	0	4	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	14
GIO	Gila	12	0	2	15	0	0	0	2	2	0	1	34
YUO	Hassayampa	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3
MHO	Mohave	12	0	0	7	0	2	0	1	0	1	0	23
NVO	Navajo	8	0	0	11	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	25
PNO	PCWT	6	0	0	7	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	16
PMO	Pinal North	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
YAO	Prescott Basin	2	0	0	5	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	8
LAO	River	4	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	7
SAO	SCA Border	7	0	0	5	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	16
APO	South Apache	3	0	0	5	0	0	1	3	2	0	0	14
MAO	West CRT	6	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	17
		94	0	2	84	0	4	3	23	4	7	5	226

#### Arizona Department of Forestry and Fire Management National Assignments

National Extended

Attack

Equipment Support

**Arizona: 54 Engines, 37 Tenders** 

**California: 68 Engines** 

Colorado: 1 Tender

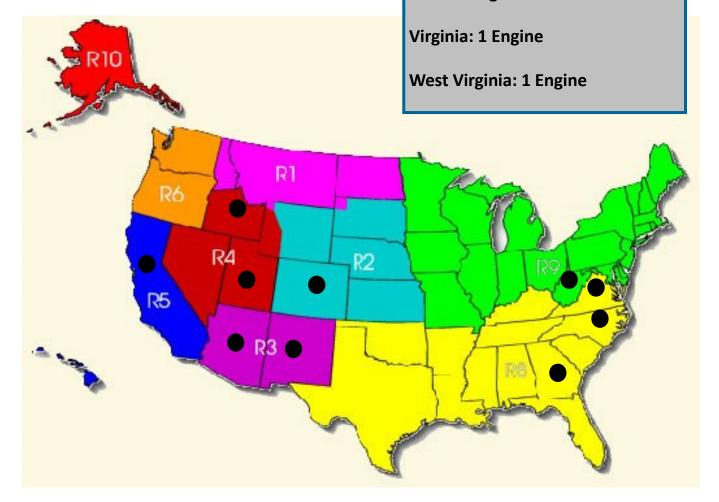
**Georgia: 8 Engines, 2 Tenders** 

Idaho: 5 Engines, 1 Tender

**New Mexico: 5 Engines, 1 Tender** 

**North Carolina: 41 Engines** 

**Utah: 1 Engine** 



#### Arizona Department of Forestry and Fire Management Specialized Incident Support

Multiple Engine Strike Team Deployments

DFFM has the ability to package multiple engine configurations with specialized leadership into Strike Teams. These teams work together and provide an advanced level of support to incidents.

DFFM/cooperator Strike Teams supported multiple incidents within Arizona and also in California. **DFFM Interagency Resource Representative (IARR)** 

The IARR position utilizes a variety of skills and abilities to provide liaison services for personnel assigned to out of state incidents. The IARR acts as a liaison for and reports to AIDC. The IARR will coordinate through Incident Management Teams, Geographic Area Coordination Centers, hosting Agency Administrators, Fire Management Organizations, and Multiagency Coordinating Groups. The IARR promotes the wellbeing of all Arizonaresources assigned out of state.

IARR's were utilized to support Arizona resources dispatched to:

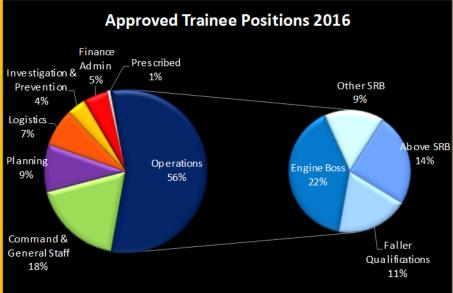
California, Georgia, Tennessee, North Carolina, and Virginia





## **Training and Qualifications Summary 2016**





# **Fully Qualified Positions Approved by Committee**

138 Total Positions

84 Operations (34 ENGB)

27 Command/General Staff

13 Planning

9 Logistics

4 Investigation/Prevention

1 Finance/Administration

0 Prescribed

### <u>Trainee Positions Ap-</u> proved by Committee

160 Trainee Positions

89 Operations (36 ENGB)

29 Command/General Staff

15 Planning

12 Logistics

6 Investigation/Prevention

8 Finance/Administration

1 Prescribed

#### **Accomplishments**

Manage ROSS Registration for 2,840 personnel with wildland qualifications; 4% increase over 2015. Maintain 678 Training and Experience Records in IQS; 8% increase over 2015.

Issue Incident Qualification Cards for 678 Wildland Personnel; 8% increase over 2015.

Prepared 411 Requests for the Qualification Committee to Review; 35% increase over last year.

Updated, Verified and Organized the Arizona Priority Training Program for Dispatch to Implement. The number of participants increased 3% over 2015; Building critical wildland positions for Arizona.

Drafted Arizona DFFM Minimum Experience Guidelines for All-Hazards Qualifications (SOG 708).

Completed 4 IQS Courses, training 38 People from 28 Agencies, to manage IQS accounts for their own agencies. Accurate information in ROSS equals faster resource deployment.



## Arizona Department of Forestry and Fire Management

# Provides Dispatching Services for Arizona Department of Agriculture

The Animal Services Division (ASD) employs 20 Livestock Services Field Staff throughout the state of Arizona. Of this amount, 9 are full-time AZPOST certified officers, 6 are full-time inspectors and 6 are part-time deputies. They are super-

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vised by the Supervising Livestock Officer and work with the Office of the State Veterinarian.

The field staff are required to inspect livestock (except equine) for health, marks, and brands before they are slaughtered, sold, purchased, driven, transported, shipped or conveyed. They also respond to stray and ownership dispute calls. In addition to these disputes, the officers investigate theft, welfare and neglect cases.

#### Calls for Service from the Public

Overall calls handled in 2016 for AZ Department of Agriculture totaled 7,283. Inspection calls 4,520, with slaughter and welfare calls at



